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TO: Iowa Medicaid PMIC Providers

ISSUED BY: Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise

RE: PMIC Reimbursement and Level of Care

EFFECTIVE: April 1, 2009

On April 1, 2009 the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME) will begin using the Individualized Service Information System (ISIS) for tracking and authorization of Psychiatric Medical Institutions for Children (PMIC) cases.

This will provide the IME assurance that the required Level of Care determinations and Continued Stay Reviews have been completed before payment for services is made.

PMIC facilities do not need to do anything differently due to this change. However, in order to ensure timely reimbursement, it will be essential that you continue to:

- Submit Case Activity Reports to the local DHS office at the time of admission or when a resident applies for Medicaid. A copy of the Case Activity Report (Form 470-0042) and instructions for completion are available in the PMIC Provider Manual, located at: http://www.dhs.state.ia.us/policyanalysis/PolicyManualPages/Manual_Documents/Provman/pmic.pdf
- Initiate the Level of Care and Continued Stay Review processes in a timely manner. Please contact your assigned IME Medical Services review coordinator within 7 days of an admission to start the initial review process, and by the assigned due date for a Continued Stay Review.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact the IME Medical Services unit at 1-800-383-1173 or at 725-1008 in the Des Moines area